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Session 1: Word List

- vie**
- v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
- synonym* : compete, contend, strive
- (1) **vie** for a trophy, (2) **vie** for attention
- They both **vied** for the top spot in the company.
- frightening**
- adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
- synonym* : scary, terrifying, alarming
- (1) cast **frightening** eyes, (2) **frightening** experience
- The news of the pandemic was a **frightening** reminder of the fragility of human health.
- sniff**
- v. to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath
- synonym* : smell, inhale, scent
- (1) **sniff** the air, (2) **sniff** the perfume
- The dog stopped to **sniff** around the tree, looking for something interesting.
- cousin**
- n. the child of your aunt or uncle
- synonym* : relative

(1) cross- **cousin** marriage, (2) **cousin's** family

I used to play with my younger male **cousins** when I was a little girl.

grave

n. a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

synonym : tomb, crypt, sepulcher

(1) **grave** an image, (2) **grave** mistake

Many innocent civilians were killed and buried in mass **graves** outside the city during the war.

wicked

adj. morally bad or evil

synonym : evil, sinful, nefarious

(1) **wicked** thoughts, (2) **wicked** grin

The **wicked** witch cast a spell on the kingdom.

pretension

n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

synonym : presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**

His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

hypocrisy

n. the practice of engaging in the same behavior or activity for which one criticizes another or the practice of claiming to have moral standards or beliefs to which one's behavior does not conform

synonym : insincerity, dissembling, duplicity

(1) without **hypocrisy**, (2) self-serving **hypocrisy**

The commentaries often criticized the government's political **hypocrisy**.

reckless

adj. marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

synonym : impetuous, irresponsible, thoughtless

(1) **reckless** driving, (2) in a **reckless** manner

Reckless youth makes rueful age.

reform

n. the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem

synonym : change, modify, improve

(1) economic **reform**, (2) **reform** movement

The government is proposing a **reform** to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.

quixotic

adj. exceedingly idealistic or unrealistic; marked by extravagantly chivalrous pursuits and romantic ideals; impractical or unworkable

synonym : idealistic, impractical, unrealistic

(1) **quixotic** adventure, (2) **quixotic** dream

The politician's **quixotic** campaign promise to end all poverty was met with skepticism.

snare

n. a trap or device used to catch animals by means of a noose or wire loop; a type of drum consisting of a head stretched over a hollow shell, usually played with drumsticks

synonym : trap, noose, entanglement

(1) **snare** drum, (2) fall into a **snare**

The thief was caught in a **snare** set by the police.

sensible

adj. having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something

synonym : reasonable, practical, pragmatic

(1) **sensible** decision, (2) **sensible** approach

It's **sensible** to wear a helmet when riding a bike.

rehearse

v. to practice or repeat something, such as a performance, speech, or action, to prepare for an event or to improve one's skills; to go through the motions of a planned activity before executing it

synonym : practice, recite, drill

(1) **rehearse** an opera, (2) **rehearse** a speech

The actors needed to **rehearse** their lines before the performance.

heel

n. the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something

synonym : hindfoot

(1) **heel** bone, (2) **heel** wrestler

She wore high **heels** to the party.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym : initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

queer

adj. strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way

synonym : strange, odd, unusual

(1) **queer** money, (2) **queer** fashion

The behavior of the clown at the party was quite **queer**.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym : character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

maneuver

n. a motion or combination of moves that requires skill and care; a clever strategy, activity, or movement intended to give someone an advantage

synonym: gimmick, trick, action

(1) political **maneuvers**, (2) made a great **maneuver**

In this class, we learn the basic **maneuver** of the plane.

perception

n. a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

synonym: understanding, idea, awareness

(1) keen **perception**, (2) **perception** of a stimulus

He is a man admired for the depth of his **perception**.

sincere

adj. (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful

synonym: earnest, fervent, candid

(1) a **sincere** man, (2) express **sincere** regret

Please accept my **sincere** condolences on your friend's death.

irony

n. the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect

synonym: sarcasm, cynicism, wit

(1) bitter **irony**, (2) **irony** humor

The **irony** of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day he lost his job.

kitsch

n. art, objects, or design considered to be tasteless and overly sentimental, often produced to appeal to popular or commercial taste rather than for artistic value

synonym: schlock, sentimentality

(1) **kitsch** art, (2) **kitsch** decor

The garden gnome statue is cheesy **kitsch**, but some people love that style.

thorough

adj. done completely; significantly careful and accurate

synonym: complete, comprehensive, meticulous

(1) **thorough** investigation, (2) provide **thorough** analysis

A **thorough** brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.

misunderstand

v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

synonym: misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

attend

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

synonym: go, be present, accompany

(1) **attend** a meeting, (2) **attend** service

We must **attend** to this matter.

educator

n. a person who teaches or educates people

synonym: teacher, instructor, lecturer

(1) business **educator**, (2) duty as an **educator**

She is an **educator** with progressive ideas.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

earnest

adj. characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment

synonym: sincere, serious, genuine

(1) **earnest** attempt, (2) **earnest** conversation

He spoke in an **earnest** tone, expressing his genuine concern for the safety of everyone involved.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened

synonym : frightened, fearful, dreading

(1) **scared** all the time, (2) **scared** dog
I'm **scared** of insects.

wrap

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

synonym : surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting
Wrap the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

awful

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

synonym : terrible, appalling, horrible

(1) an **awful** error, (2) do **awful** damage
I regretted making an **awful** mistake in my final exam.

awkward

adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

synonym : embarrassing, discomfiting, clumsy

(1) an **awkward** expression, (2) an **awkward** date
The **awkward** design of the interface made the operation difficult.

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym : sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**
Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**
There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

screw

v. to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

synonym : tighten, fix, secure

(1) **screw** the cap, (2) a female **screw**

He had to **screw** the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.

memorize

v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

synonym : learn, remember, remind

(1) **memorize** musical scores, (2) try hard to **memorize** the lines

Lawyers need to **memorize** even the most minor provisions of the law.

disrupt

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

synonym : interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep

I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

loose

adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

synonym : relaxed, unconsolidated, open

(1) a **loose** tongue, (2) remove **loose** hair

The inspector discovered **loose** bolts under the fuel rods.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym : convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

butler

n. a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties

synonym : valet, majordomo, manservant

(1) **butler** service, (2) household **butler**

The personal **butler** announced that dinner was ready, and the guests went to the dining room.

fanatic

adj. characterized by excessive enthusiasm or zeal; displaying irrational or extreme devotion to a cause, ideology, or person, often to the point of intolerance or extremism

synonym : zealous, extremist, passionate

(1) **fanatic** about germs, (2) **fanatic** devotion

The **fanatic** supporters of the sports team traveled across the country to watch the match.

binary

n. a system of numbers that uses only two digits, 0 and 1

synonym : twofold, double

(1) a **binary** number, (2) trading in **binary** options

A **binary** star is a system in which two stars revolve around each other.

costume

n. a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation

synonym : attire, garb, outfit

(1) **costume** party, (2) **costume** change

She wore a beautiful **costume** for the play.

constantly

adv. all the time

synonym : continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

fluid

n. a substance that can flow and is not solid

synonym: liquid, aqua, sap

(1) plenty of **fluids**, (2) **fluid** assets

She was diagnosed with a **fluid** buildup in her lungs.

carefree

adj. without worries or concerns; free from anxiety, responsibility, or constraints

synonym: light-hearted, carefree, easygoing

(1) **carefree** attitude, (2) **carefree** vacation

I miss the **carefree** days of my childhood when I didn't have to worry about anything.

inclusive

adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

synonym: cover-all, all-embracing, comprehensive

(1) a fully **inclusive** price, (2) **inclusive** education

The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its **inclusive** policy.

transgender

adj. relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth

synonym: non-binary

(1) **transgender** person, (2) **transgender** rights

Many **transgender** individuals face discrimination and

marginalization in society.

ascribe

v. to attribute something to a particular cause or source
synonym : attribute, credit, assign

(1) **ascribe** everything to nature, (2) **ascribe** my failure to bad luck

The project's success was **ascribed** to the team's hard work.

nonbinary

adj. someone who does not identify as a man or a woman;
not relating to, composed of, or including only two things
synonym : pluralistic, polyphyletic

(1) **nonbinary** gender, (2) **nonbinary** identities

More and more people in various countries believe that the policymaker should change the marriage rules for **nonbinary** people.

definitely

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
synonym : absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**

The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

semester

n. one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term

(1) end of the **semester**, (2) during the **semester** breaks

We must complete all of these courses in the following **semester**.

roughly

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
synonym : approximately, more or less, around

(1) **roughly** explain my idea, (2) **roughly** speaking

Five miles is **roughly** similar to eight kilometers.

embody

v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

synonym : represent, exemplify, personify

(1) **embody** my goal, (2) **embody** a spirit of charity

The company's new products **embody** the values of innovation and sustainability.

delicious

adj. exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell

synonym : appetizing, mouthwatering, delectable

(1) **delicious** breeze, (2) variety of **delicious** foods

We could grill the meat in a **delicious** way.

fraternity

n. a group of people, especially men, who are associated with each other through a common interest or occupation

synonym : brotherhood, association, society

(1) the medical **fraternity**, (2) **fraternity** party

My college students join a **fraternity** to make connections and build a sense of community.

forgiveness

n. the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion

synonym : pardon, amnesty, compassion

(1) **forgiveness** of liabilities, (2) beg for **forgiveness**

He gained debt **forgiveness**.

snapback

n. a type of hat with a flat brim that can be adjusted to snap into place at different angles; any clothing or accessory that goes out of style but then comes back into fashion after a period of time

(1) vintage **snapback**, (2) **snapback** trend

I love wearing **snapback** hats because they're stylish and comfortable.

baggy

adj. loose-fitting or puffed out in shape, typically about clothing

synonym : loose, roomy, oversized

(1) **baggy** sweater, (2) **baggy** sweatpants

I prefer **baggy** clothes to tight-fitting ones.

slack

adj. lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude

synonym : loose, lax, floppy

(1) a **slack** rope, (2) **slack** performance

The team's **slack** attitude towards deadlines caused the project to fall behind schedule.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym : revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

lax

adj. not strict or severe; relaxed or lenient

synonym : loose, slack, relaxed

(1) **lax** border controls, (2) **lax** attitude

The **lax** security measures allowed the thief to enter the building easily.

jaw

n. either of the two bones at the bottom of the face that moves when you open your mouth; (verb) talk socially without exchanging too much information

synonym : mouth, (verb) chitchat

(1) snatch victory from the **jaws** of defeat, (2) **jaw** muscle

He dropped his **jaw** at the unexpected sight.

astound

v. to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much

synonym : amaze, astonish, surprise

(1) **astound** everyone, (2) **astound** the viewer

The final result was nothing short of **astounding**.

fluctuate

v. to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably

synonym : vary, oscillate, sway

(1) **fluctuate** prices, (2) **fluctuate** rapidly

Stock prices **fluctuate** daily based on market demand and supply.

satire

n. a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques

synonym: irony, mockery, ridicule

(1) **satire** magazine, (2) a pungent **satire**

The comedian's **satire** on politics had the audience laughing and thinking.

uncanny

adj. strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling

synonym: arcane, astonishing, eerie

(1) in an **uncanny** manner, (2) **uncanny** resemblance

She has an **uncanny** sense of who is telling a lie.

ruthlessly

adv. without compassion or pity; mercilessly

synonym: mercilessly, brutally, cruelly

(1) **ruthlessly** efficient, (2) judge **ruthlessly**

He **ruthlessly** cut ties with anyone who crossed him.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym: highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym: quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

lull

n. a period of calm or quiet; a temporary cessation of activity, noise, or music; a soothing sound or movement

that induces sleep or relaxation

synonym : calm, stillness, tranquility

(1) **lull** in the battle, (2) the **lull** before the storm

The waves crashing against the shore had a soothing **lull** on the listeners.

whisper

v. to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

synonym : murmur, rumor, mutter

(1) answer in a **whisper**, (2) the **whisper** of the leaves

He took me aside and **whispered** in my ear.

construct

v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

synonym : build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

comedy

n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

synonym : humor, farce, satire

(1) **comedy** series, (2) romantic **comedy**

I love going to see live **comedy** shows with my friends.

delivery

n. the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

synonym : sending, transporting, bringing

(1) an easy **delivery**, (2) special **delivery**

The **delivery** truck arrived with the packages.

renowned

adj. famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.

synonym : noted, prominent, acclaimed

(1) a **renowned** artist, (2) **renowned** as a novelist

This area is **renowned** for its hot springs.

scholar

n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

synonym : professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**

You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

seminal

adj. highly original, influential, or innovative; containing the seeds or beginnings of future development or growth; (of medicine) of or relating to semen or the male reproductive system

synonym : influential, groundbreaking, original

(1) **seminal** research, (2) **seminal** duct

The book was a **seminal** work in psychology, influencing generations of researchers.

staple

adj. essential, crucial, or regularly used

synonym : essential, fundamental, pivotal

(1) **staple** commodities, (2) **staple** crop

Rice and beans are a **staple** food in many cultures.

undergraduate

n. a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution

synonym : college student, freshman

(1) engineering **undergraduate**, (2) **undergraduate** course

The class was composed of both **undergraduate** and graduate students.

liberal

adj. willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

synonym : broad, free, large-minded

(1) a **liberal** arts college, (2) under **liberal** conditions

He is **liberal** in his thoughts.

institutionalize

v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

synonym: formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws

The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.

moreover

adv. indicating that what follows is an additional or supplementary point; furthermore; in addition to what has been said before

synonym: furthermore, besides, in addition

(1) **moreover**, she decided to go, (2) but **moreover**, they work well together

The company is environmentally conscious, and **moreover**, it uses sustainable materials in its products.

essay

n. a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study

synonym: paper, commentary, report

(1) score the SAT **essays**, (2) thoughtful **essay**

The Chief editor checks all **essays** for plagiarism with software.

claim

v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

synonym: assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

repetition

n. the act of doing or saying something many times

synonym: duplication, iteration, recurrence

(1) **repetition** of the word, (2) habitual **repetition**

Repetition is the mother of all learning.

recognizable

adj. easy to become aware of or identify

synonym : noticeable, perceptible, definite

(1) to a **recognizable** degree, (2) **recognizable** landmark

His car was easily **recognizable** in the parking lot.

script

n. a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech;
something written by hand

synonym : writing, penmanship, article

(1) a hand **script**, (2) the **script** of a play

The archaeologist found a hieratic Egyptian **script** on a stone monument.

reproduce

v. to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

synonym : duplicate, breed, imitate

(1) **reproduce** the painting, (2) **reproduce** by myself

By dividing and creating copies of themselves, bacteria **reproduce**.

attempt

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

synonym : endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

masculine

adj. having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men

synonym : male, mannish, manly

(1) wear **masculine** attire, (2) **masculine** beauty

Her allure lies in her **masculine** rather than feminine beauty.

suave

adj. smoothly polite or refined in manner; graceful and elegant in appearance or behavior; charmingly confident and sophisticated

synonym : smooth, polished, charming

(1) **suave** appearance, (2) **suave** charm

The **suave** gentleman in the suit charmed his way into the job interview.

feminine

adj. relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

synonym: womanly, womanlike, femalelike

(1) add a **feminine** touch, (2) the sacred **feminine**

The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically **feminine** style.

achieve

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

synonym: accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

cast

v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

synonym: throw, project, select

(1) **cast** a ballot, (2) **cast** a charming eye

This accident **cast** a dark shadow over their lives.

simultaneously

adv. at the same time

synonym: concurrently, coincidentally, together

(1) **simultaneously** affected, (2) take several inputs **simultaneously**

Two students answered the teacher's question **simultaneously**.

rocky

adj. full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock

synonym: stony, boulder-strewn, rough

(1) **rocky** terrain, (2) **rocky** relationship

The **rocky** road made it difficult to drive on.

horror

n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying

synonym: fear, terror, dread

(1) **horror** movie, (2) **horror-struck** look

The stories of war crimes filled her with **horror**.

orchard

n. a piece of land that is planted with fruit trees, such as apples, pears, or cherries

synonym: grove, plantation, fruit garden

(1) local apple **orchard**, (2) **orchard** tree

The farmer owns an **orchard** where he grows apples, pears, and plums.

rehearsal

n. a practice session, usually for a performance or presentation, during which people prepare and fine-tune their performance, often with the help of feedback from others; the act of rehearsing

synonym: practice, run-through, drill

(1) dress **rehearsal**, (2) music **rehearsal**

The theater company had its final **rehearsal** before opening night.

aggressive

adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

synonym: assertive, combative, threatening

(1) an **aggressive** war, (2) an **aggressive** tumor

An **aggressive** tide wrecked the ship.

wig

n. a head covering made of synthetic or real hair worn for a variety of reasons, including as a fashion accessory, to conceal hair loss or baldness, or as part of a costume

synonym: hairpiece, toupee, hair system

(1) curly **wig**, (2) blonde **wig**

She decided to wear a pink **wig** to the costume party.

blend

v. to mix or combine two or more substances

synonym: combine, mix, intermingle

(1) **blend** all the elements, (2) **blend** milk and cream

The toad altered its appearance to better **blend** in with its new environments.

eyeliner

n. a cosmetic applied around the edge of the eyelid to enhance the appearance of the eyes

synonym: eye pencil, kohl

(1) waterproof **eyeliner**, (2) winged **eyeliner**

She applied a thin line of black **eyeliner** to her upper eyelid.

germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

synonym: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

constant

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

synonym: ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

Constant dropping wears away the stone.

invaluable

adj. extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth

synonym: priceless, inestimable, precious

(1) **invaluable** support, (2) **invaluable** resource

The advice given by my mentor was **invaluable** in my career.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym: interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**
He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

spectrum

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

synonym: range, scale, spread

(1) a broad **spectrum** of opinion, (2) infrared **spectrum**
This device displayed the speech **spectrum** spectrographically.

indebted

adj. owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness

synonym: owing, obligated, beholden

(1) **indebted** to creditors, (2) financially **indebted**
He felt **indebted** to his parents for all the sacrifices they had made for him.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events
Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

facet

n. one of the many aspects or sides of a subject or situation, especially when seen from different angles or perspectives; a particular feature or characteristic of something

synonym: aspect, side, angle

(1) **facet** to a question, (2) important **facet**
The different **facets** of his personality make him a complex

individual.

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym : dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

explore

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

synonym : analyze, delve into, examine

(1) **explore** the world, (2) **explore** our options

The management must **explore** strategies to increase office security.

implicit

adj. suggested but not directly expressed

synonym : implied, unstated, hinted

(1) **implicit** bias, (2) give **implicit** consent

The **implicit** meaning behind his words was clear, even though he did not explicitly say it.

oppress

v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

synonym : antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force

Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

synonym : connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

characteristic

n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

synonym: feature, quality, attribute

(1) stripes **characteristic** of the zebra, (2) my friend's **characteristic** laugh

Bananas have their **characteristic** taste and odor.

flurry

n. a sudden and brief burst of activity or emotion; a light snowfall with gusty winds and swirling snowflakes; a rapid or disorganized movement of small objects, such as leaves or petals

synonym: burst, storm, bustle

(1) **flurry** of activity, (2) **flurry** of emails

A **flurry** of snowflakes fell from the sky as we stepped outside.

flirt

v. to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions; (noun) a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men

synonym: tease

(1) **flirt** with him, (2) **flirt** like a schoolgirl

My husband never **flirts** with other women.

calm

adj. not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves

synonym: quiet, peaceful, tranquility

(1) **calm** sea, (2) **calm** manner

It was the first time in a long time that I felt truly **calm** and at peace.

demeanor

n. a person's behavior, attitude, or mannerisms, particularly about how others perceive them; the outward expression of one's personality or character

synonym: behavior, conduct, manner

(1) **demeanor** towards customers, (2) calm **demeanor**
The lawyer's professional **demeanor** helped him win over the jury.

differ

v. to be not like someone or something in some way
synonym: vary, diverge, disagree

(1) **differ** from the majority, (2) **differ** according to species
The two products **differed** in their quality and price.

drastic

adj. radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact

synonym: extreme, fierce, radical

(1) **drastic** measures, (2) make **drastic** revision
The global community is undergoing **drastic** changes at present.

regard

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

synonym: consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

frank

adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

synonym: candid, direct, freehearted

(1) **frank** and open discussion, (2) make a **frank** apology
Full involvement means **frank** and prompt responses.

confirm

v. to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

synonym: affirm, verify, assure

(1) **confirm** the diagnosis, (2) **confirm** a transaction

Please write to **confirm** your reservation.

survey

n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people

questions

synonym : study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**

That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

verbal

adj. expressed in spoken rather than written words

synonym : speaking, lingual, oral

(1) **verbal** communication, (2) **verbal** abuse

The candidate must have excellent **verbal** skills.

harass

v. to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention

synonym : pester, annoy, bother

(1) **harass** the enemy, (2) **harass** with constant criticism

She was constantly **harassed** by her ex-boyfriend and had to get a restraining order.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

generation

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

synonym : cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym : person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

spite

n. feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

synonym: malice, ill will, vindictiveness

(1) bear **spite** against him, (2) die in **spite** of intensive care
He did it out of **spite**, to annoy me.

latent

adj. existing but not yet expressed, active, or visible; hidden or dormant

synonym: dormant, inactive, potential

(1) **latent** desire, (2) **latent** threat

Many people have **latent** talents they are not aware of.

romantic

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

synonym: idealistic, unrealistic, amatory

(1) **romantic** movies, (2) **romantic** breakup

It was his first **romantic** love.

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

synonym: bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life

She **stumbled** over the tree root.

meditation

n. the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state

synonym : contemplation, reflection, introspection

(1) **meditation** training, (2) religious **meditation**

The **meditation** instructor guided the group through the relaxation and breathing exercises.

anxiety

n. a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

synonym : concern, dread, agita

(1) diagnosis of **anxiety** disorder, (2) **anxiety** for knowledge

She waited for her daughter with **anxiety**.

fright

n. a sudden intense fear or shock; a state of being afraid or anxious; a feeling of alarm or trepidation caused by a sudden, unexpected event or situation

synonym : terror, panic, fear

(1) **fright** response, (2) shiver in **fright**

The dog's barking gave the mailperson a terrible **fright**.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

multitude

n. a large number of things or people

synonym : mass, assembly, hive

(1) great **multitude**, (2) from a **multitude** of sources

This company is faced with a **multitude** of problems.

panic

n. a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action

synonym : confusion, hysteria, consternation

(1) a **panic** reaction, (2) **panic** buying

The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused **panic** in the financial markets.

monologue

n. a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory

synonym : soliloquy, speech, address

(1) inner **monologue**, (2) deliver a **monologue**

The actor's **monologue** was so powerful that the audience was moved to tears.

workshop

n. a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group

synonym : studio, laboratory, atelier

(1) **workshop** attendee, (2) carpentry **workshop**

The artist held a **workshop** to teach students how to paint with watercolors.

bully

n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

synonym : tormentor, intimidator, aggressor

(1) **bully** bystander, (2) **bully** the weak

The schoolyard **bully** terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.

embodiment

n. someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea

synonym : image, avatar, incarnation

(1) **embodiment** of evil, (2) illustrative **embodiment**

The devil is the **embodiment** of wicked ideas.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym : compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym : endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

prohibit

v. to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law

synonym : ban, forbid, refuse

(1) **prohibit** destructive activities, (2) **prohibit** the use of phone

Congress passed a law to **prohibit** the disposal of nuclear waste.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym : imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

schooler

n. a student who attends a school

synonym : student, pupil, learner

(1) a primary **schooler**, (2) **schooler** uniform

He often traveled abroad alone when he was in high **schooler**.

dissolve

v. to be or cause to be absorbed by a liquid to form a part of the solution; to close down or dismiss

synonym : disband, disappear, liquefy

(1) **dissolve** the sugar, (2) officially **dissolved** the marriage

The political party **dissolved** after much internal fighting.

galumph

v. to move or run in a clumsy, heavy, or noisy manner, often with exaggerated movements; to proceed or act in a carefree or ungainly way

synonym: stomp, clump, lumber

(1) **galumph** across the stage, (2) **galumph** through the woods

I watched the elephant **galumph** across the savannah with grace and power.

laughter

n. the act or sound of laughing

synonym: laugh, chuckle, giggle

(1) **laughter** all around, (2) bring **laughter**

Some doctor says **laughter** is the best medicine.

parody

n. a humorous imitation of a serious piece of literature or music designed to ridicule or criticize the original work

synonym: spoof, satire, lampoon

(1) **parody** imitation, (2) comedic **parody**

The movie was a **parody** of classic horror films.

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

restricted

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

synonym: limited, determinate, fixed

(1) **restricted** area, (2) lactose **restricted** diet

The country has designated our products as **restricted** import goods.

metaphor

n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

synonym : conceit, analogy, symbol

(1) **metaphor** for death, (2) visual **metaphor**

She expressed her thought in an artful choice of **metaphors**.

chauvinist

n. a person who is aggressively or excessively patriotic and who believes in the superiority of their gender, race, or nationality, often to the detriment or oppression of others

synonym : jingo, nationalist, misogynist

(1) **chauvinist** beliefs, (2) racial **chauvinist**

His **chauvinistic** attitudes towards immigrants were offensive and ignorant.

pitch

n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

synonym : angle, gradient, slope

(1) make a **pitch** for a new product, (2) a low- **pitched** sound

Her voice gradually increased in **pitch**.

coy

adj. deliberately shy, evasive, or modest, often in a way that is seen as flirtatious or coquettish; unwilling to commit to a course of action or express an opinion

synonym : bashful, shy, demure

(1) **coy** smile, (2) **coy** behavior

The **coy** mannerisms of the actress only added to her allure on and off the screen.

mimicry

n. the act or skill of copying the sounds or behavior of a particular person or animal, often to make people laugh

synonym : imitation, apery

(1) vocal **mimicry**, (2) floral **mimicry**

Some insects use **mimicry** to avoid detection by predators.

cultivate

v. to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants

synonym : boost, foster, nurture

(1) **cultivate** a field, (2) **cultivate** relationships

University is a great place to **cultivate** our minds and expertise.

tangible

adj. real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value

synonym : palpable, real, actual

(1) **tangible** assets, (2) produce **tangible** results

A problem that has been pointed out for years finally becomes **tangible**.

mere

adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

synonym : bare, minor, sheer

(1) **mere** acquaintance, (2) **mere** incident

He lost the election by **mere** votes.

absence

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

synonym : dearth, scarcity, lack

(1) **absence** from work, (2) a leave of **absence**

Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's **absence**.

equanimity

n. a state of calmness, stability, and composure, particularly in the face of stress, adversity, or challenging situations

synonym : calmness, composure, equilibrium

(1) achieve perfect **equanimity**, (2) lose **equanimity**

The CEO's **equanimity** during the crisis helped reassure the investors and employees.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

unbearable

adj. not able to be tolerated or endured; too difficult, severe, or intense to be dealt with or suffered through; intolerable or insufferable

synonym: intolerable, insufferable, unendurable

(1) **unbearable** heat, (2) **unbearable** pain

The loss of his wife was an **unbearable** sorrow that he found hard to overcome.

Session 2: Spelling

1. the s__n of a bird's wings
n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
2. an easy de____ry
n. the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
3. no____ry identities
adj. someone who does not identify as a man or a woman; not relating to, composed of, or including only two things
4. visual me____or
n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
5. do aw__l damage
adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
6. engineering und____ate
n. a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution
7. pr____s improvement
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 1. span, 2. delivery, 3. nonbinary, 4. metaphor, 5. awful, 6. undergraduate, 7. process

8. cl__m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
9. end of the se_____er *n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
10. pr_____it destructive activities *v.* to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law
11. sc_____er uniform *n.* a student who attends a school
12. co_____e party *n.* a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation
13. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
14. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
15. an agg_____ve war *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
16. fl___y of activity *n.* a sudden and brief burst of activity or emotion; a light snowfall with gusty winds and swirling snowflakes; a rapid or disorganized movement of small objects, such as leaves or petals

ANSWERS: 8. claim, 9. semester, 10. prohibit, 11. schooler, 12. costume, 13. importance, 14. generation, 15. aggressive, 16. flurry

17. ha___s the enemy *v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention
18. try hard to me_____ze the lines *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
19. a sl__k rope *adj.* lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude
20. wo_____op attendee *n.* a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
21. important fa__t *n.* one of the many aspects or sides of a subject or situation, especially when seen from different angles or perspectives; a particular feature or characteristic of something
22. unb_____le heat *adj.* not able to be tolerated or endured; too difficult, severe, or intense to be dealt with or suffered through; intolerable or insufferable
23. comedic pa____y *n.* a humorous imitation of a serious piece of literature or music designed to ridicule or criticize the original work
24. business ed_____or *n.* a person who teaches or educates people
25. barren of cr_____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

ANSWERS: 17. harass, 18. memorize, 19. slack, 20. workshop, 21. facet, 22. unbearable, 23. parody, 24. educator, 25. creative

26. a re_____ed artist *adj.* famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.
27. sc____d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
28. ab_____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
29. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
30. op_____s the people with force *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
31. an agg_____ve tumor *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
32. di_____t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
33. de_____or towards customers *n.* a person's behavior, attitude, or mannerisms, particularly about how others perceive them; the outward expression of one's personality or character
34. c_y smile *adj.* deliberately shy, evasive, or modest, often in a way that is seen as flirtatious or coquettish; unwilling to commit to a course of action or express an opinion

ANSWERS: 26. renowned, 27. scared, 28. absence, 29. creative, 30. oppress, 31. aggressive, 32. disrupt, 33. demeanor, 34. coy

35. la___t threat *adj.* existing but not yet expressed, active, or visible; hidden or dormant
36. a leave of ab_____e *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
37. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
38. re_____se a speech *v.* to practice or repeat something, such as a performance, speech, or action, to prepare for an event or to improve one's skills; to go through the motions of a planned activity before executing it
39. di_____ve the sugar *v.* to be or cause to be absorbed by a liquid to form a part of the solution; to close down or dismiss
40. at___d a meeting *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
41. sn__f the air *v.* to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath
42. as_____d the viewer *v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
43. ir__y humor *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
44. fra_____ty party *n.* a group of people, especially men, who are associated with each other through a common interest or occupation

ANSWERS: 35. latent, 36. absence, 37. communicate, 38. rehearse, 39. dissolve, 40. attend, 41. sniff, 42. astound, 43. irony, 44. fraternity

45. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
46. make a pi__h for a new product *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
47. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
48. a pungent sa___e *n.* a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques
49. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
50. or____d tree *n.* a piece of land that is planted with fruit trees, such as apples, pears, or cherries
51. infrared sp____um *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
52. wear ma_____ne attire *adj.* having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men
53. keen per_____on *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

ANSWERS: 45. communal, 46. pitch, 47. degree, 48. satire, 49. degree, 50. orchard, 51. spectrum, 52. masculine, 53. perception

54. sa___e magazine *n.* a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques
55. financially in_____ed *adj.* owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness
56. a bi___y number *n.* a system of numbers that uses only two digits, 0 and 1
57. su___e charm *adj.* smoothly polite or refined in manner; graceful and elegant in appearance or behavior; charmingly confident and sophisticated
58. unb_____le pain *adj.* not able to be tolerated or endured; too difficult, severe, or intense to be dealt with or suffered through; intolerable or insufferable
59. a lo___e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
60. sim_____sly affected *adv.* at the same time
61. fr__k and open discussion *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
62. em___y my goal *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

ANSWERS: 54. satire, 55. indebted, 56. binary, 57. suave, 58. unbearable, 59. loose, 60. simultaneously, 61. frank, 62. embody

63. fl_____te rapidly *v.* to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably
64. blonde w_g *n.* a head covering made of synthetic or real hair worn for a variety of reasons, including as a fashion accessory, to conceal hair loss or baldness, or as part of a costume
65. ha___s with constant criticism *v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention
66. fall into a sn__e *n.* a trap or device used to catch animals by means of a noose or wire loop; a type of drum consisting of a head stretched over a hollow shell, usually played with drumsticks
67. the sc___t of a play *n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
68. fa__t to a question *n.* one of the many aspects or sides of a subject or situation, especially when seen from different angles or perspectives; a particular feature or characteristic of something
69. cha_____st beliefs *n.* a person who is aggressively or excessively patriotic and who believes in the superiority of their gender, race, or nationality, often to the detriment or oppression of others
70. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 63. fluctuate, 64. wig, 65. harass, 66. snare, 67. script, 68. facet, 69. chauvinist, 70. relate

71. thoughtful es__y *n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study
72. em___y a spirit of charity *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
73. bear sp__e against him *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
74. bu__y the weak *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
75. di_____t a well-ordered condition *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
76. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
77. ge___r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
78. ro_____y explain my idea *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
79. gr__e an image *n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

ANSWERS: 71. essay, 72. embody, 73. spite, 74. bully, 75. disrupt, 76. separate, 77. gender, 78. roughly, 79. grave

80. ex____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
81. shiver in fr____t *n.* a sudden intense fear or shock; a state of being afraid or anxious; a feeling of alarm or trepidation caused by a sudden, unexpected event or situation
82. a broad sp____um of opinion *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
83. to a rec____ble degree *adj.* easy to become aware of or identify
84. c_y behavior *adj.* deliberately shy, evasive, or modest, often in a way that is seen as flirtatious or coquettish; unwilling to commit to a course of action or express an opinion
85. beg for for____ss *n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
86. officially di____ved the marriage *v.* to be or cause to be absorbed by a liquid to form a part of the solution; to close down or dismiss
87. special de____ry *n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
88. fl__d assets *n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid
89. score the SAT es__ys *n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study
90. w__p up a meeting *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

ANSWERS: 80. extreme, 81. fright, 82. spectrum, 83. recognizable, 84. coy, 85. forgiveness, 86. dissolve, 87. delivery, 88. fluid, 89. essay, 90. wrap

91. snatch victory from the j_ws of defeat
n. either of the two bones at the bottom of the face that moves when you open your mouth; (verb) talk socially without exchanging too much information
92. lose equ_____ty
n. a state of calmness, stability, and composure, particularly in the face of stress, adversity, or challenging situations
93. su_____e a plane crash
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
94. for_____ss of liabilities
n. the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
95. a private ind_____al
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
96. no_____ry gender
adj. someone who does not identify as a man or a woman; not relating to, composed of, or including only two things
97. la_____er all around
n. the act or sound of laughing
98. an op_____ne remark
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
99. curly w_g
n. a head covering made of synthetic or real hair worn for a variety of reasons, including as a fashion accessory, to conceal hair loss or baldness, or as part of a costume
100. calm de_____or
n. a person's behavior, attitude, or mannerisms, particularly about how others perceive them; the outward expression of one's personality or character

ANSWERS: 91. jaw, 92. equanimity, 93. survive, 94. forgiveness, 95. individual, 96. nonbinary, 97. laughter, 98. opportune, 99. wig, 100. demeanor

101. baseless pre_____on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
102. ex_____e the world *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
103. mis_____and entirely about her *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
104. my friend's cha_____tic laugh *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
105. ins_____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
106. vocal mi_____y *n.* the act or skill of copying the sounds or behavior of a particular person or animal, often to make people laugh
107. false cl__m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
108. c__m sea *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
109. without hy_____sy *n.* the practice of engaging in the same behavior or activity for which one criticizes another or the practice of claiming to have moral standards or beliefs to which one's behavior does not conform

ANSWERS: 101. pretension, 102. explore, 103. misunderstand, 104. characteristic, 105. institutionalize, 106. mimicry, 107. claim, 108. calm, 109. hypocrisy

110. economic re___m *n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
111. the l___l before the storm *n.* a period of calm or quiet; a temporary cessation of activity, noise, or music; a soothing sound or movement that induces sleep or relaxation
112. th____gh investigation *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
113. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
114. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
115. as_____e my failure to bad luck *v.* to attribute something to a particular cause or source
116. a low-pi__hed sound *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
117. ma_____ne beauty *adj.* having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men
118. di___r according to species *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
119. sn__f the perfume *v.* to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath

ANSWERS: 110. reform, 111. lull, 112. thorough, 113. individual, 114. construct, 115. ascribe, 116. pitch, 117. masculine, 118. differ, 119. sniff

120. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
121. provide th_____gh analysis *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
122. bu_____r service *n.* a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties
123. si_____t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
124. a li_____l arts college *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
125. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
126. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
127. a hand sc_____t *n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
128. a si_____e man *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
129. di_____r from the majority *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
130. fa_____c devotion *adj.* characterized by excessive enthusiasm or zeal; displaying irrational or extreme devotion to a cause, ideology, or person, often to the point of intolerance or extremism

ANSWERS: 120. process, 121. thorough, 122. butler, 123. silent, 124. liberal, 125. government, 126. separate, 127. script, 128. sincere, 129. differ, 130. fanatic

131. ga____h across the stage *v.* to move or run in a clumsy, heavy, or noisy manner, often with exaggerated movements; to proceed or act in a carefree or ungainly way
132. an aw__l error *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
133. ho___r-struck look *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
134. the average life s__n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
135. trading in bi___y options *n.* a system of numbers that uses only two digits, 0 and 1
136. the wh_____r of the leaves *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
137. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
138. a g__m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
139. inv_____le resource *adj.* extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth

ANSWERS: 131. galumph, 132. awful, 133. horror, 134. span, 135. binary, 136. whisper, 137. rev, 138. germ, 139. invaluable

140. negative ste_____pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
141. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
142. st_____e financially *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
143. re_____ss driving *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
144. at____d service *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
145. winged ey_____er *n.* a cosmetic applied around the edge of the eyelid to enhance the appearance of the eyes
146. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
147. cast fri_____ng eyes *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
148. qu__r fashion *adj.* strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way
149. st____e commodities *adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
150. m__e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
151. la____t desire *adj.* existing but not yet expressed, active, or visible; hidden or dormant

ANSWERS: 140. stereotype, 141. communicate, 142. stumble, 143. reckless, 144. attend, 145. eyeliner, 146. communal, 147. frightening, 148. queer, 149. staple, 150. mere, 151. latent

152. re_____se an opera *v.* to practice or repeat something, such as a performance, speech, or action, to prepare for an event or to improve one's skills; to go through the motions of a planned activity before executing it
153. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
154. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
155. co_____e change *n.* a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation
156. ex_____e our options *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
157. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
158. a con_____ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
159. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
160. m__e acquaintance *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

ANSWERS: 152. rehearse, 153. empathy, 154. introduction, 155. costume, 156. explore, 157. extreme, 158. constantly, 159. stereotype, 160. mere

161. bring la____er *n.* the act or sound of laughing
162. id____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
163. re_____ce the painting *v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process
164. pr_____it the use of phone *v.* to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law
165. dual ge____r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
166. rep_____on of the word *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
167. bl__d milk and cream *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
168. h__l bone *n.* the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something
169. cu_____te a field *v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
170. re____m movement *n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem

ANSWERS: 161. laughter, 162. identity, 163. reproduce, 164. prohibit, 165. gender, 166. repetition, 167. blend, 168. heel, 169. cultivate, 170. reform

171. co___y series *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
172. tra_____er rights *adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth
173. political ma_____ers *n.* a motion or combination of moves that requires skill and care; a clever strategy, activity, or movement intended to give someone an advantage
174. plenty of fl__ds *n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid
175. ro__y terrain *adj.* full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock
176. fl__t like a schoolgirl *v.* to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions; (noun) a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men
177. ve___l abuse *adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words
178. under li_____l conditions *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
179. pa___y imitation *n.* a humorous imitation of a serious piece of literature or music designed to ridicule or criticize the original work

ANSWERS: 171. comedy, 172. transgender, 173. maneuver, 174. fluid, 175. rocky, 176. flirt, 177. verbal, 178. liberal, 179. parody

180. sc___d dog *adj.* afraid or frightened
181. fl___y of emails *n.* a sudden and brief burst of activity or emotion; a light snowfall with gusty winds and swirling snowflakes; a rapid or disorganized movement of small objects, such as leaves or petals
182. inner mo_____ue *n.* a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory
183. ba___y sweater *adj.* loose-fitting or puffed out in shape, typically about clothing
184. take several inputs sim_____sly *adv.* at the same time
185. se_____l duct *adj.* highly original, influential, or innovative; containing the seeds or beginnings of future development or growth; (of medicine) of or relating to semen or the male reproductive system
186. lactose res_____ed diet *adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
187. qu_____ic dream *adj.* exceedingly idealistic or unrealistic; marked by extravagantly chivalrous pursuits and romantic ideals; impractical or unworkable
188. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

ANSWERS: 180. scared, 181. flurry, 182. monologue, 183. baggy, 184. simultaneously, 185. seminal, 186. restricted, 187. quixotic, 188. interaction

189. the at____t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
190. mistaken id____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
191. ca____ee attitude *adj.* without worries or concerns; free from anxiety, responsibility, or constraints
192. great mu____de *n.* a large number of things or people
193. un____y resemblance *adj.* strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling
194. ea____t attempt *adj.* characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment
195. give im____it consent *adj.* suggested but not directly expressed
196. a pa__c reaction *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
197. make dr____c revision *adj.* radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact
198. sn____ck trend *n.* a type of hat with a flat brim that can be adjusted to snap into place at different angles; any clothing or accessory that goes out of style but then comes back into fashion after a period of time
199. c__t a charming eye *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assing or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

ANSWERS: 189. attempt, 190. identity, 191. carefree, 192. multitude, 193. uncanny, 194. earnest, 195. implicit, 196. panic, 197. drastic, 198. snapback, 199. cast

200. dress re_____al *n.* a practice session, usually for a performance or presentation, during which people prepare and fine-tune their performance, often with the help of feedback from others; the act of rehearsing
201. fl_____te prices *v.* to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably
202. gr__e mistake *n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature
203. me_____ze musical scores *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
204. noted sc_____r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
205. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
206. ro_____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
207. say def_____ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

ANSWERS: 200. rehearsal, 201. fluctuate, 202. grave, 203. memorize, 204. scholar, 205. rev, 206. romantic, 207. definitely

208. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
209. ga_____h through the woods *v.* to move or run in a clumsy, heavy, or noisy manner, often with exaggerated movements; to proceed or act in a carefree or ungainly way
210. st_____e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
211. an_____y for knowledge *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
212. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
213. ve____l communication *adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words
214. recent su____y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
215. make a fr__k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
216. fr____t response *n.* a sudden intense fear or shock; a state of being afraid or anxious; a feeling of alarm or trepidation caused by a sudden, unexpected event or situation
217. re____d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

ANSWERS: 208. construct, 209. galumph, 210. stumble, 211. anxiety, 212. interaction, 213. verbal, 214. survey, 215. frank, 216. fright, 217. regard

218. produce ta_____le results *adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
219. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
220. su__e appearance *adj.* smoothly polite or refined in manner; graceful and elegant in appearance or behavior; charmingly confident and sophisticated
221. per_____on of a stimulus *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
222. re_____ce by myself *v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process
223. j_w muscle *n.* either of the two bones at the bottom of the face that moves when you open your mouth; (verb) talk socially without exchanging too much information
224. in an un_____y manner *adj.* strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling
225. duty as an ed_____or *n.* a person who teaches or educates people

ANSWERS: 218. tangible, 219. introduction, 220. suave, 221. perception, 222. reproduce, 223. jaw, 224. uncanny, 225. educator

226. pa__c buying *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
227. v_e for attention *v.* to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
228. an aw____d expression *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
229. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
230. w__p a fish in foil *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
231. bl__d all the elements *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
232. habitual rep____on *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
233. inv____le support *adj.* extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth
234. from a mu____de of sources *n.* a large number of things or people
235. diagnosis of an____y disorder *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
236. emb____nt of evil *n.* someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea
237. vintage sn____ck *n.* a type of hat with a flat brim that can be adjusted to snap into place at different angles; any clothing or accessory that goes out of style but then comes back into fashion after a period of time

ANSWERS: 226. panic, 227. vie, 228. awkward, 229. obvious, 230. wrap, 231. blend, 232. repetition, 233. invaluable, 234. multitude, 235. anxiety, 236. embodiment, 237. snapback

238. co_____m the diagnosis *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
239. sn__e drum *n.* a trap or device used to catch animals by means of a noose or wire loop; a type of drum consisting of a head stretched over a hollow shell, usually played with drumsticks
240. the medical fra_____ty *n.* a group of people, especially men, who are associated with each other through a common interest or occupation
241. the gen_____on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
242. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
243. pre_____on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
244. during the se_____er breaks *n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
245. se_____le approach *adj.* having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something
246. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

ANSWERS: 238. confirm, 239. snare, 240. fraternity, 241. generation, 242. obvious, 243. pretension, 244. semester, 245. sensible, 246. colleague

247. high imp_____ce
n. the quality of being important and worthy of note
248. carpentry wo_____op
n. a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
249. ro_____y speaking
adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
250. fl__t with him
v. to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions; (noun) a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men
251. v_e for a trophy
v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
252. ca_____ee vacation
adj. without worries or concerns; free from anxiety, responsibility, or constraints
253. h__l wrestler
n. the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something
254. co_____m a transaction
v. to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
255. co___n's family
n. the child of your aunt or uncle
256. an aw_____d date
adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

ANSWERS: 247. importance, 248. workshop, 249. roughly, 250. flirt, 251. vie, 252. carefree, 253. heel, 254. confirm, 255. cousin, 256. awkward

257. a fully in_____ve price *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
258. im_____it bias *adj.* suggested but not directly expressed
259. und_____ate course *n.* a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution
260. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
261. st___e crop *adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
262. a female sc__w *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
263. def_____ly become a problem *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
264. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
265. fa_____c about germs *adj.* characterized by excessive enthusiasm or zeal; displaying irrational or extreme devotion to a cause, ideology, or person, often to the point of intolerance or extremism
266. sl__k performance *adj.* lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude
267. mo_____er, she decided to go *adv.* indicating that what follows is an additional or supplementary point; furthermore; in addition to what has been said before

ANSWERS: 257. inclusive, 258. implicit, 259. undergraduate, 260. government, 261. staple, 262. screw, 263. definitely, 264. silent, 265. fanatic, 266. slack, 267. moreover

268. answer in a wh_____r
v. to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
269. ta_____le assets
adj. real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
270. ac_____e milestones
v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
271. op_____ne occasion
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
272. express si_____e regret
adj. (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
273. a co_____nt temperature
adj. happening repeatedly or all the time
274. cu_____te relationships
v. to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
275. in_____ve education
adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
276. self-serving hy_____sy
n. the practice of engaging in the same behavior or activity for which one criticizes another or the practice of claiming to have moral standards or beliefs to which one's behavior does not conform

ANSWERS: 268. whisper, 269. tangible, 270. achieve, 271. opportune, 272. sincere, 273. constant, 274. cultivate, 275. inclusive, 276. hypocrisy

277. ho___r movie *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
278. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
279. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
280. l__l in the battle *n.* a period of calm or quiet; a temporary cessation of activity, noise, or music; a soothing sound or movement that induces sleep or relaxation
281. deliver a mo_____ue *n.* a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory
282. add a fe_____ne touch *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
283. med_____on training *n.* the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state
284. ki___h decor *n.* art, objects, or design considered to be tasteless and overly sentimental, often produced to appeal to popular or commercial taste rather than for artistic value

ANSWERS: 277. horror, 278. survive, 279. relate, 280. lull, 281. monologue, 282. feminine, 283. meditation, 284. kitsch

285. judge rut_____ly *adv.* without compassion or pity; mercilessly
286. local apple or_____d *n.* a piece of land that is planted with fruit trees, such as apples, pears, or cherries
287. re____d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
288. ea_____t conversation *adj.* characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment
289. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
290. but mo_____er, they work well together *adv.* indicating that what follows is an additional or supplementary point; furthermore; in addition to what has been said before
291. dr_____c measures *adj.* radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact
292. remove lo__e hair *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
293. wi____d thoughts *adj.* morally bad or evil
294. the sacred fe_____ne *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
295. a primary sc_____er *n.* a student who attends a school
296. c__m manner *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves

ANSWERS: 285. ruthlessly, 286. orchard, 287. regard, 288. earnest, 289. experiment, 290. moreover, 291. drastic, 292. loose, 293. wicked, 294. feminine, 295. schooler, 296. calm

297. music re_____al *n.* a practice session, usually for a performance or presentation, during which people prepare and fine-tune their performance, often with the help of feedback from others; the act of rehearsing
298. qu_____ic adventure *adj.* exceedingly idealistic or unrealistic; marked by extravagantly chivalrous pursuits and romantic ideals; impractical or unworkable
299. me_____or for death *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
300. in a re_____ss manner *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
301. l_x border controls *adj.* not strict or severe; relaxed or lenient
302. variety of de_____us foods *adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
303. romantic co_____y *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
304. die in sp__e of intensive care *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

ANSWERS: 297. rehearsal, 298. quixotic, 299. metaphor, 300. reckless, 301. lax, 302. delicious, 303. comedy, 304. spite

305. a con_____ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
306. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
307. a comprehensive su_____y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
308. fri_____ng experience *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
309. ac_____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
310. de_____us breeze *adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
311. tra_____er person *adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth
312. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
313. as_____e everything to nature *v.* to attribute something to a particular cause or source
314. res_____ed area *adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
315. bu__y bystander *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

ANSWERS: 305. constantly, 306. attempt, 307. survey, 308. frightening, 309. achieve, 310. delicious, 311. transgender, 312. ultimate, 313. ascribe, 314. restricted, 315. bully

316. racial cha_____st *n.* a person who is aggressively or excessively patriotic and who believes in the superiority of their gender, race, or nationality, often to the detriment or oppression of others
317. made a great ma_____er *n.* a motion or combination of moves that requires skill and care; a clever strategy, activity, or movement intended to give someone an advantage
318. ba__y sweatpants *adj.* loose-fitting or puffed out in shape, typically about clothing
319. re_____ed as a novelist *adj.* famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.
320. illustrative emb_____nt *n.* someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea
321. l_x attitude *adj.* not strict or severe; relaxed or lenient
322. bitter ir__y *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
323. se_____le decision *adj.* having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something
324. cross-co___n marriage *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
325. qu__r money *adj.* strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way
326. rec_____ble landmark *adj.* easy to become aware of or identify

ANSWERS: 316. chauvinist, 317. maneuver, 318. baggy, 319. renowned, 320. embodiment, 321. lax, 322. irony, 323. sensible, 324. cousin, 325. queer, 326. recognizable

327. se_____l research *adj.* highly original, influential, or innovative; containing the seeds or beginnings of future development or growth; (of medicine) of or relating to semen or the male reproductive system
328. religious med_____on *n.* the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state
329. ins_____ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
330. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
331. sc_____r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
332. ki____h art *n.* art, objects, or design considered to be tasteless and overly sentimental, often produced to appeal to popular or commercial taste rather than for artistic value
333. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
334. as_____d everyone *v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
335. op_____s the minority *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

ANSWERS: 327. seminal, 328. meditation, 329. institutionalize, 330. ultimate, 331. scholar, 332. kitsch, 333. colleague, 334. astound, 335. oppress

336. in____ed to creditors *adj.* owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness
337. ro__y relationship *adj.* full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock
338. c__t a ballot *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
339. wi____d grin *adj.* morally bad or evil
340. sc__w the cap *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
341. waterproof ey_____er *n.* a cosmetic applied around the edge of the eyelid to enhance the appearance of the eyes
342. antibiotic-resistant g__m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
343. achieve perfect equ_____ty *n.* a state of calmness, stability, and composure, particularly in the face of stress, adversity, or challenging situations
344. household bu____r *n.* a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties

ANSWERS: 336. indebted, 337. rocky, 338. cast, 339. wicked, 340. screw, 341. eyeliner, 342. germ, 343. equanimity, 344. butler

345. floral mi____y *n.* the act or skill of copying the sounds or behavior of a particular person or animal, often to make people laugh
346. full of em____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
347. series of exp____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
348. a co____nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
349. ro____ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
350. stripes cha_____tic of the zebra *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
351. rut____ly efficient *adv.* without compassion or pity; mercilessly
352. mis_____and each other *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

ANSWERS: 345. mimicry, 346. empathy, 347. experiment, 348. constant, 349. romantic, 350. characteristic, 351. ruthlessly, 352. misunderstand

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The political party _____ after much internal fighting.
v. to be or cause to be absorbed by a liquid to form a part of the solution; to close down or dismiss

2. Rice and beans are a _____ food in many cultures.
adj. essential, crucial, or regularly used

3. Please accept my _____ condolences on your friend's death.
adj. (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful

4. The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically _____ style.
adj. relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

5. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's _____.
n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

6. The comedian's _____ on politics had the audience laughing and thinking.
n. a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques

7. It was his first _____ love.
adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

ANSWERS: 1. dissolved, 2. staple, 3. sincere, 4. feminine, 5. absence, 6. satire, 7. romantic

8. This accident _____ a dark shadow over their lives.
v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
9. _____ is the mother of all learning.
n. the act of doing or saying something many times
10. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
11. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.
n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
12. Full involvement means _____ and prompt responses.
adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
13. Her allure lies in her _____ rather than feminine beauty.
adj. having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men
14. In this class, we learn the basic _____ of the plane.
n. a motion or combination of moves that requires skill and care; a clever strategy, activity, or movement intended to give someone an advantage
15. The inspector discovered _____ bolts under the fuel rods.
adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

ANSWERS: 8. cast, 9. Repetition, 10. process, 11. identity, 12. frank, 13. masculine, 14. maneuver, 15. loose

16. The paper is _____ worth reading thoroughly.

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

17. The management must _____ strategies to increase office security.

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

18. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

adj. very great in amount or degree

19. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

20. She is an _____ with progressive ideas.

n. a person who teaches or educates people

21. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

22. He often traveled abroad alone when he was in high _____.

n. a student who attends a school

23. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

24. The actor's _____ was so powerful that the audience was moved to tears.

n. a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory

ANSWERS: 16. definitely, 17. explore, 18. extreme, 19. Communal, 20. educator, 21. degree, 22. schooler, 23. interaction, 24. monologue

25. The different _____ of his personality make him a complex individual.
- n.* one of the many aspects or sides of a subject or situation, especially when seen from different angles or perspectives; a particular feature or characteristic of something
26. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud ____.
- n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
27. The _____ instructor guided the group through the relaxation and breathing exercises.
- n.* the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state
28. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.
- n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
29. Five miles is _____ similar to eight kilometers.
- adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
30. A _____ brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.
- adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
31. That _____ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.
- n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

ANSWERS: 25. facets, 26. rev, 27. meditation, 28. gender, 29. roughly, 30. thorough, 31. survey

32. Frugality and industry are still _____ as virtues.

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

33. The ____ security measures allowed the thief to enter the building easily.

adj. not strict or severe; relaxed or lenient

34. Many innocent civilians were killed and buried in mass _____ outside the city during the war.

n. a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

35. We must _____ to this matter.

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

36. The _____ gentleman in the suit charmed his way into the job interview.

adj. smoothly polite or refined in manner; graceful and elegant in appearance or behavior; charmingly confident and sophisticated

37. The lawyer's professional _____ helped him win over the jury.

n. a person's behavior, attitude, or mannerisms, particularly about how others perceive them; the outward expression of one's personality or character

38. The waves crashing against the shore had a soothing ____ on the listeners.

n. a period of calm or quiet; a temporary cessation of activity, noise, or music; a soothing sound or movement that induces sleep or relaxation

39. You should not _____ the meaning of freedom.

v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

ANSWERS: 32. regarded, 33. lax, 34. graves, 35. attend, 36. suave, 37. demeanor, 38. lull, 39. misunderstand

40. The company's new products _____ the values of innovation and sustainability.
v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
41. Many people have _____ talents they are not aware of.
adj. existing but not yet expressed, active, or visible; hidden or dormant
42. The loss of his wife was an _____ sorrow that he found hard to overcome.
adj. not able to be tolerated or endured; too difficult, severe, or intense to be dealt with or suffered through; intolerable or insufferable
43. The theater company had its final _____ before opening night.
n. a practice session, usually for a performance or presentation, during which people prepare and fine-tune their performance, often with the help of feedback from others; the act of rehearsing
44. The mobile application industry is _____ changing.
adv. all the time
45. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a _____.
n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
46. The government is proposing a _____ to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.
n. the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
47. He dropped his ____ at the unexpected sight.
n. either of the two bones at the bottom of the face that moves when you open your mouth; (verb) talk socially without exchanging too much information

ANSWERS: 40. embody, 41. latent, 42. unbearable, 43. rehearsal, 44. constantly, 45. scholar, 46. reform, 47. jaw

48. His _____ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.
- n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
49. _____ dropping wears away the stone.
- adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
50. The final result was nothing short of _____.
- v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
51. My college students join a _____ to make connections and build a sense of community.
- n.* a group of people, especially men, who are associated with each other through a common interest or occupation
52. The Chief editor checks all _____ for plagiarism with software.
- n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study
53. The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused _____ in the financial markets.
- n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
54. I miss the _____ days of my childhood when I didn't have to worry about anything.
- adj.* without worries or concerns; free from anxiety, responsibility, or constraints
55. This device displayed the speech _____ spectrographically.
- n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

ANSWERS: 48. pretensions, 49. Constant, 50. astounding, 51. fraternity, 52. essays, 53. panic, 54. carefree, 55. spectrum

56. The devil is the _____ of wicked ideas.
n. someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea
57. The artist held a _____ to teach students how to paint with watercolors.
n. a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
58. The garden gnome statue is cheesy _____ but some people love that style.
n. art, objects, or design considered to be tasteless and overly sentimental, often produced to appeal to popular or commercial taste rather than for artistic value
59. The two products _____ in their quality and price.
v. to be not like someone or something in some way
60. The _____ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.
n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
61. I love wearing _____ hats because they're stylish and comfortable.
n. a type of hat with a flat brim that can be adjusted to snap into place at different angles; any clothing or accessory that goes out of style but then comes back into fashion after a period of time
62. A problem that has been pointed out for years finally becomes _____.
adj. real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
63. Bananas have their _____ taste and odor.
n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

ANSWERS: 56. embodiment, 57. workshop, 58. kitsch, 59. differed, 60. germ, 61. snapback, 62. tangible, 63. characteristic

64. The actors needed to _____ their lines before the performance.
- v.* to practice or repeat something, such as a performance, speech, or action, to prepare for an event or to improve one's skills; to go through the motions of a planned activity before executing it
65. His _____ attitudes towards immigrants were offensive and ignorant.
- n.* a person who is aggressively or excessively patriotic and who believes in the superiority of their gender, race, or nationality, often to the detriment or oppression of others
66. We could grill the meat in a _____ way.
- adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
67. _____ youth makes rueful age.
- adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
68. Stock prices _____ daily based on market demand and supply.
- v.* to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably
69. His _____ showed highly positive results.
- n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
70. This company is faced with a _____ of problems.
- n.* a large number of things or people
71. More and more people in various countries believe that the policymaker should change the marriage rules for _____ people.
- adj.* someone who does not identify as a man or a woman; not relating to, composed of, or including only two things

ANSWERS: 64. rehearse, 65. chauvinistic, 66. delicious, 67. Reckless, 68. fluctuate, 69. experiments, 70. multitude, 71. nonbinary

72. He took me aside and _____ in my ear.

- v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

73. He gained debt _____.

- n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion

74. She wore high _____ to the party.

- n.* the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something

75. She has an _____ sense of who is telling a lie.

- adj.* strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling

76. The _____ supporters of the sports team traveled across the country to watch the match.

- adj.* characterized by excessive enthusiasm or zeal; displaying irrational or extreme devotion to a cause, ideology, or person, often to the point of intolerance or extremism

77. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

- n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

78. She was diagnosed with a _____ buildup in her lungs.

- n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid

79. He is _____ in his thoughts.

- adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

ANSWERS: 72. whispered, 73. forgiveness, 74. heels, 75. uncanny, 76. fanatic, 77. colleague, 78. fluid, 79. liberal

80. An _____ tide wrecked the ship.

adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

81. She waited for her daughter with _____.

n. a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

82. The project's success was _____ to the team's hard work.

v. to attribute something to a particular cause or source

83. He spoke in an _____ tone, expressing his genuine concern for the safety of everyone involved.

adj. characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment

84. He felt _____ to his parents for all the sacrifices they had made for him.

adj. owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness

85. Lawyers need to _____ even the most minor provisions of the law.

v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

86. The _____ truck arrived with the packages.

n. the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

87. I prefer _____ clothes to tight-fitting ones.

adj. loose-fitting or puffed out in shape, typically about clothing

ANSWERS: 80. aggressive, 81. anxiety, 82. ascribed, 83. earnest, 84. indebted, 85. memorize, 86. delivery, 87. baggy

88. The _____ design of the interface made the operation difficult.

adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

89. The third _____ was far more successful.

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

90. The new policy aims to _____ the use of renewable energy sources.

v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

91. By dividing and creating copies of themselves, bacteria _____.

v. to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

92. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

93. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

94. It's _____ to wear a helmet when riding a bike.

adj. having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something

95. The behavior of the clown at the party was quite _____.

adj. strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way

ANSWERS: 88. awkward, 89. attempt, 90. institutionalize, 91. reproduce, 92. individual, 93. communicate, 94. sensible, 95. queer

96. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

97. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

98. Some insects use _____ to avoid detection by predators.

n. the act or skill of copying the sounds or behavior of a particular person or animal, often to make people laugh

99. We must complete all of these courses in the following _____.

n. one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term

100. University is a great place to _____ our minds and expertise.

v. to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants

101. The country has designated our products as _____ import goods.

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

102. The _____ of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day he lost his job.

n. the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect

103. The CEO's _____ during the crisis helped reassure the investors and employees.

n. a state of calmness, stability, and composure, particularly in the face of stress, adversity, or challenging situations

ANSWERS: 96. obvious, 97. creative, 98. mimicry, 99. semester, 100. cultivate, 101. restricted, 102. irony, 103. equanimity

104. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

105. I love going to see live _____ shows with my friends.

n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

106. The farmer owns an _____ where he grows apples, pears, and plums.

n. a piece of land that is planted with fruit trees, such as apples, pears, or cherries

107. The thief was caught in a _____ set by the police.

n. a trap or device used to catch animals by means of a noose or wire loop; a type of drum consisting of a head stretched over a hollow shell, usually played with drumsticks

108. The schoolyard _____ terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.

n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

109. The candidate must have excellent _____ skills.

adj. expressed in spoken rather than written words

110. I watched the elephant _____ across the savannah with grace and power.

v. to move or run in a clumsy, heavy, or noisy manner, often with exaggerated movements; to proceed or act in a carefree or ungainly way

111. The book was a _____ work in psychology, influencing generations of researchers.

adj. highly original, influential, or innovative; containing the seeds or beginnings of future development or growth; (of medicine) of or relating to semen or the male reproductive system

ANSWERS: 104. awful, 105. comedy, 106. orchard, 107. snare, 108. bully, 109.

verbal, 110. galumph, 111. seminal

112. He had to _____ the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.

- v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it;
(noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

113. She _____ over the tree root.

- v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

114. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

- v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

115. His car was easily _____ in the parking lot.

- adj.* easy to become aware of or identify

116. The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its _____ policy.

- adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

117. The _____ witch cast a spell on the kingdom.

- adj.* morally bad or evil

118. The commentaries often criticized the government's political _____.

- n.* the practice of engaging in the same behavior or activity for which one criticizes another or the practice of claiming to have moral standards or beliefs to which one's behavior does not conform

119. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

- adj.* without any or little sound

ANSWERS: 112. screw, 113. stumbled, 114. separate, 115. recognizable, 116. inclusive, 117. wicked, 118. hypocrisy, 119. silent

120. It was the first time in a long time that I felt truly _____ and at peace.
adj. not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
121. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.
v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
122. The stories of war crimes filled her with _____.
n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
123. The dog stopped to _____ around the tree, looking for something interesting.
v. to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath
124. My husband never _____ with other women.
v. to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions; (noun) a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men
125. The company is environmentally conscious, and _____ it uses sustainable materials in its products.
adv. indicating that what follows is an additional or supplementary point; furthermore; in addition to what has been said before
126. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
127. The _____ meaning behind his words was clear, even though he did not explicitly say it.
adj. suggested but not directly expressed

ANSWERS: 120. calm, 121. achieve, 122. horror, 123. sniff, 124. flirts, 125. moreover, 126. survive, 127. implicit

128. The movie was a _____ of classic horror films.
n. a humorous imitation of a serious piece of literature or music designed to ridicule or criticize the original work
129. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.
adj. furthest or highest in degree or order
130. The global community is undergoing _____ changes at present.
adj. radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact
131. The advice given by my mentor was _____ in my career.
adj. extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth
132. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
133. The dog's barking gave the mailperson a terrible _____.
n. a sudden intense fear or shock; a state of being afraid or anxious; a feeling of alarm or trepidation caused by a sudden, unexpected event or situation
134. She expressed her thought in an artful choice of _____.
n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
135. Congress passed a law to _____ the disposal of nuclear waste.
v. to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law

ANSWERS: 128. parody, 129. ultimate, 130. drastic, 131. invaluable, 132. stereotypes, 133. fright, 134. metaphors, 135. prohibit

136. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.
- n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
137. She decided to wear a pink ____ to the costume party.
- n.* a head covering made of synthetic or real hair worn for a variety of reasons, including as a fashion accessory, to conceal hair loss or baldness, or as part of a costume
138. A _____ star is a system in which two stars revolve around each other.
- n.* a system of numbers that uses only two digits, 0 and 1
139. The toad altered its appearance to better _____ in with its new environments.
- v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
140. Historically, many countries have often _____ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.
- v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
141. This area is _____ for its hot springs.
- adj.* famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.
142. Some doctor says _____ is the best medicine.
- n.* the act or sound of laughing
143. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
144. He _____ cut ties with anyone who crossed him.
- adv.* without compassion or pity; mercilessly

ANSWERS: 136. importance, 137. wig, 138. binary, 139. blend, 140. oppressed, 141. renowned, 142. laughter, 143. government, 144. ruthlessly

145. He did it out of _____ to annoy me.

- n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

146. The _____ road made it difficult to drive on.

- adj.* full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock

147. They both _____ for the top spot in the company.

- v.* to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise

148. The politician's _____ campaign promise to end all poverty was met with skepticism.

- adj.* exceedingly idealistic or unrealistic; marked by extravagantly chivalrous pursuits and romantic ideals; impractical or unworkable

149. He lost the election by _____ votes.

- adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

150. He is a man admired for the depth of his _____.

- n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

151. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.

- n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

152. The class was composed of both _____ and graduate students.

- n.* a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution

ANSWERS: 145. spite, 146. rocky, 147. vied, 148. quixotic, 149. mere, 150. perception, 151. generation, 152. undergraduate

153. Please write to _____ your reservation.

- v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

154. A _____ of snowflakes fell from the sky as we stepped outside.

- n.* a sudden and brief burst of activity or emotion; a light snowfall with gusty winds and swirling snowflakes; a rapid or disorganized movement of small objects, such as leaves or petals

155. The personal _____ announced that dinner was ready, and the guests went to the dining room.

- n.* a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties

156. I'm _____ of insects.

- adj.* afraid or frightened

157. Her voice gradually increased in _____.

- n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

158. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

- v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

159. He wants to _____ ownership of the abandoned property.

- v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

ANSWERS: 153. confirm, 154. flurry, 155. butler, 156. scared, 157. pitch, 158. constructs, 159. claim

160. I used to play with my younger male _____ when I was a little girl.
n. the child of your aunt or uncle
161. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.
n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
162. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
163. She was constantly _____ by her ex-boyfriend and had to get a restraining order.
v. to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention
164. Many _____ individuals face discrimination and marginalization in society.
adj. relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth
165. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
166. I'm so sorry to _____ you when you're pretty busy.
v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

ANSWERS: 160. cousins, 161. span, 162. relate, 163. harassed, 164. transgender, 165. introduction, 166. disrupt

167. The team's _____ attitude towards deadlines caused the project to fall behind schedule.
adj. lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude
168. The news of the pandemic was a _____ reminder of the fragility of human health.
adj. causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
169. The archaeologist found a hieratic Egyptian _____ on a stone monument.
n. a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
170. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
171. She applied a thin line of black _____ to her upper eyelid.
n. a cosmetic applied around the edge of the eyelid to enhance the appearance of the eyes
172. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
173. _____ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.
v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
174. The _____ mannerisms of the actress only added to her allure on and off the screen.
adj. deliberately shy, evasive, or modest, often in a way that is seen as flirtatious or coquettish; unwilling to commit to a course of action or express an opinion

ANSWERS: 167. slack, 168. frightening, 169. script, 170. Empathy, 171. eyeliner, 172. opportune, 173. Wrap, 174. coy

175. She wore a beautiful _____ for the play.

n. a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation

176. Two students answered the teacher's question _____.

adv. at the same time

ANSWERS: 175. costume, 176. simultaneously